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Dear Ms. Manzano:

This letter is in response to your correspondence of March 12 requesting additional information about our October Monthly report.

We have reviewed our records and determined that Mr. Leppin did contribute \$5,000 on September 4, 1996, and apparently also \$500 the previous March. While HRC has established practices to ensure individual contributions are aggregated and do not exceed the \$5,000 limit, it appears that in this instance Mr. Leppin's initial \$500 contribution escaped detection when the later \$5,000 amount was received. Upon discovery of this error, HRC PAC has refunded the \$500 to Mr. Leppin. We have reviewed this issue and corrected the problem and instituted additional procedures to avoid further occurrences.

You requested additional information regarding a discrepancy on Schedule A, line 11 (a)(1). The discrepancy is due to an apparent computer error that aggregated Mr. Leppin's contributions incorrectly. The aggregated amount should have been \$5,500. As we stated above, we have returned the \$500 and we are in the process of amending our reports to correct the math error on Schedule A and the Detailed Summary page both of which will disclose Mr. Leppin's total as \$5,000.

Finally, you requested additional information concerning our contributions to John Oliver for Congress. The contribution to John Oliver's election committee is now properly designated as a primary election contribution and was listed incorrectly in the original report. We have already made this correction on our amended FEC report filed on March 21.

Please feel free to contact PAC Director Kevin Layton if you have any additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Birch
Treasurer

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